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MEMORANDUM

To: Comprehensive School Reform Principals and District Contacts
From: James Candela, CSR Consultant
Date: January 5, 2004
Subject: 2003-04 CSR Statewide Conference

We are pleased to inform you that our 4th annual Comprehensive School Reform (CSR) Statewide Conference will be held Wednesday February 18, 2004, at McCamly Plaza Hotel, Battle Creek. This CSR conference will feature three notable educators who will share their knowledge and insights with us.

Keynote Speakers: Dr. E. Sharon Banks, Superintendent, Lansing School District
Dr. Michael Williamson, Chief Academic Officer, HOSTS

Luncheon Speaker: Dr. Carolyn McKanders, Michigan Middle Start Consultant

Our CSR Statewide Conference is always packed with useful information, as well as networking opportunities for those in attendance.

Breakout Sessions:

- School personnel will present programs on a variety of CSR issues. See enclosure for more details.
- NCREL/Learning Points - "Identifying Research-based Solutions for School Improvement."
- State program evaluators from Indiana University will share results of the 2002-03 statewide evaluation.

Registration: Schools are encouraged to send 2-4 member teams, which should include the district contact person. Please use the enclosed registration materials to register for this excellent professional development presentation. The deadline for registering for the conference is February 11, 2004.

Room Reservations: We have arranged for you to receive a conference rate at McCamly Plaza of \$65.00 (plus 11% tax). The number for reservations is: 888-622-2659. To qualify for the special rate you must make your reservation by February 4, 2004.

Map/Driving Directions: Please refer to the web site for McCamly Plaza Hotel for directions:
<http://www.mccamlyplazahotel.com>

Questions may be directed to me or to Sylvia Colles, CSR Support, at 517-241-1162.

Enclosures

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